# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:788
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2001
WATERLOGGING AROUND TRACK
SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL)

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) the details of sections of railway lines which caused delay in running of trains in August, 2001 due to waterlogging resulting in by heavy downpour, zone-wise;

(b) the reasons for waterlogging around tracks; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to avoid waterlogging around railway tracks in future?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS ( SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL )

(a) to (c) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 788 BY SHRI SURESH RAMRA JADHAV TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 22.11.2001 REGARDING WATERLOGGING AROUND TRACK.

(a) The zone-wise details of sections of Railway lines, which caused delay in running of trains in August, 2001 due to waterlogging are as under:

| S. No. | Railway | Section/Location |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Northern | Ludhiana Yard |
| 2 | Northern | Delhi Area |
| 3 | Southern | Pollachi-Podanur |
| 4 | South Central | Khandwa-Purna |
| 5 | South Eastern | Jharsuguda-Sambalpur |
| 6 | North Eastern | Chhapra-Thawe |

(b) Waterlogging around the track occurs due to the following main reasons:

(1) Inadequate town drainage system around the major city stations resulting in inadequate outlet for the yard water to escape during heavy downpour.

(2) Inadequate maintenance of small irrigation tanks/marginal bunds (called Railway Affecting Tanks/Works) by the State Government resulting in flash floods/breaches during heavy downpour.

(c) In order to avoid waterlogging around the Railway tracks or breaches thereof, the following steps are taken:

(1) Regular liaison with the State Government/local bodies for proper maintenance of irrigation tanks/marginal bunds affecting railway lines.

(2) Pre-monsoon cleaning and deepening of existing drains in Railway yards and providing additional drains wherever considered necessary.

(3) Construction of new bridge/additional spans for increasing the waterway as a planned work.